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MEETING OF NATIONAL BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE

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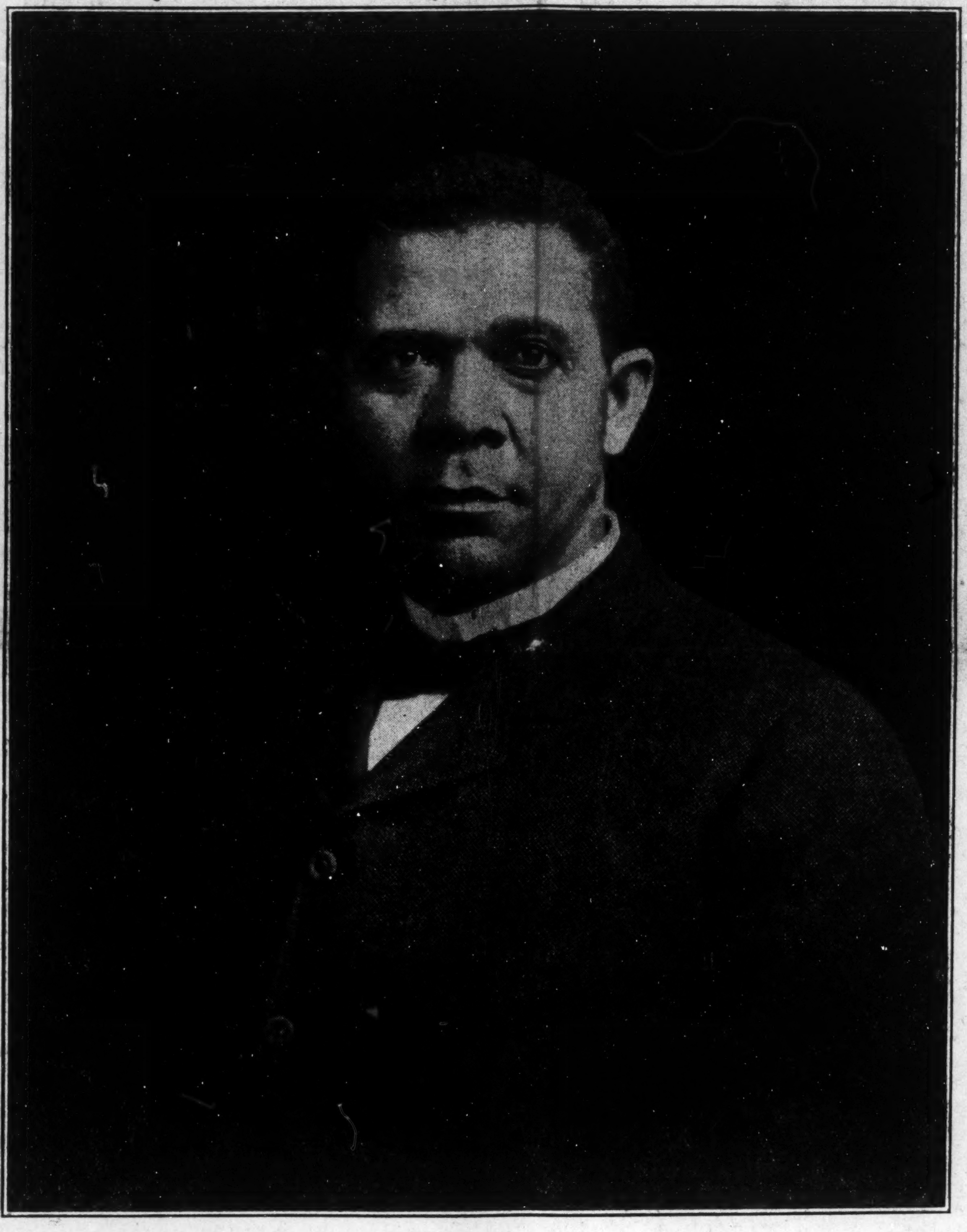
Special Correspondence.

New York City, N. Y., Aug. 19.—The sixth annual meeting of the National Negro Business League has come—it has made its impression, taught its lesson and passed into history as one of the really illuminating events of the times. The splendid men and women who made up this remarkable body captured New York by storm. Press and public vied with each other to do them honor—the freedom of the city was theirs without restriction or restraint. They set a standard of value for the race that has given it a distinct and memorable place in the hearts of the people of the American metropolis. Any organization that can gather in New York and excite more than a ripple upon its mighty bosom has accomplished a feat, for, as an almost invariable rule, men may come and men may go, and the hustling, bustling mass that crowds Gotham's pulsating thoroughfares know nothing of them and seem to care less. The Business League has proven a notable exception. For three days it has been the cynosure of all eyes. New York paused in its "mad career" to scan it closely, to study its objects and to bid it Godspeed. It looked, listened and learned It sat humbly at the feet of our commercial Gamaliel and is wiser thereby.

The prosperous appearance of the delegates and visitors bespoke individual self-respect, confidence, substance and genuine progress, and their ideal conduct and demeanor indicated character and culture of the most approved type. In point of numbers and personnel the sixth annual convention of the Business League was the largest, most representative, and in all respects the most successful meeting of the highly interesting series that had its beginning at Boston in 1900. There were nearly 400 accredited delegates, covering thirty-two states, besides more than 1000 visitors from various parts of the country. Every conceivable walk of life was represented, and every phase of useful endeavor was creditably in evidence. The body was made up of energetic spirits who have actually "done things—not dreamers and theorists who have been merely planning, promising or hoping to achieve things. Elbow to elbow stood the elements that are doing the world's work. Never before has any American city beheld an aggregation that so faithfully portrayed the aspiration and practical wisdom of the real Negro. Never before have the commissioned leaders of the race gotten together so earnestly, so harmoniously or so manfully. Merchants, minister, lawyer, doctor, farmer, teacher and artisan met for the single purpose of advancing the Negro's economic status, and from start to finish, there was a fixed determination to permit nothing to divert them from the path marked out

A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM.

The program was a thorough and comprehensibe panorama of universal industry, and among the host of spekers were some of the nation's most notable men of affairs, including the merchant prince, John Wanamaker, George Foster Peabody, Robert C. Ogden, Oswald Garrison Villard, and John E. Milholland. Though New York entertains thousands of conventions in the course of a year, these men are so busy with their manifold and exacting duties that they can seldom grace any of them with their presence. Their attendance upon the Negro Business League, therefore, was an event of rare significance. Their addresses abounded in sound sense, good advice, and manifested a deep, and whole-souled interest in the uplift of the colored people. The recital by the delegates of stories of strivings and triumphs over distressing obstacles was inspiring to the last degree. It goes without the saying that the entire race has been vastly benefited by this wonderful meeting, and the visitors return to their homes encouraged, invigorated and enthused by the sympathetic contact, frank exchange of experiences and profitable comparison of methods and results that the gathering made possible. The place of meeting was happily chosen.


DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

There is but one New York. It is a veritable store house of novelty, dazzling in its infinite variety. Its very bigness is a mute but eloquent appeal to all comers to measure up to its broad dimensions. To breathe the refreshing atmosphere of the nation's most marvelous municipality, and to gaze upon its majestic piles of stone and brick that sweep the sky, have the effect of making the beholder think big thoughts, and to strive for big results. One unconscioly takes on the color of his surroundings and become a part and parcel of them. In a ward New York is stupendous, inexhaustible and causes the blood to tingle with a mixture of emotions that defy analysis as the intricates counseled the masses to "see Rome and die," and as the followers of Mohammed journeyed to the sacred shrine at Mecca, we say to the Negro of enterprise and brain, go to New York and be electrified, regenerated by its magical commerce, activity, hospitality and beauty. The National Negro Business League is glad it came, and New York is equally pond that it did so.

NO TIME WAS LOST ON THE FIRST DAY

in getting down to business. The meeting was called to order on the morning of the 16th at ten o'clock by First Vice President, Philip A. Payton, Jr., of New York. Picturesque Palm Garden was a symphony in white and gold, and was crowded to the doors by a large audience eager to catch every word. The invocation was pronounced by Rev. W. H. Brooks, pastor of St. Luke's M. E. Church of New York, and Ernest Hogan's "Mempis Students" followed with several well rendered selections, the unique Sousa-like directing of Mr. William Dixon and the "Suwanee River" interpolation by Miss Abbie Mitchell being particularly notable. The appearance of President Booker T. Washington upon the platform was the signal for enthusiastic applause Addresses of welcome were delivered by Hon. Charles V. Fornes, president of the Board of Aldermen and Hon. Charles W. Anderson, Collector of Internal Revenue. Mr. Fornes said among other encouraging things:

I believe that the work of this organization will contribute more to the advancement of the Negro than any other single agency, by inculcating lessons of thrift and economy, and aiding men of your race to embark in various lines of business; in fact, the records show that during the past five years, since the formation of the National Negro Business League, more money has been invested in different lines of business by Negroes than during the previous thirty-five years since the close of the Civil War. You have today twenty-six banks officered and managed by men of your own race, and you pay taxes on three hundred million dollars worth of property. I congratulate you on your progress in the various lines of business enterprises, and sincerely hope that this organization under the wise leadership of your distinguished president, Booker T Washington, will continue to labor for the upbuilding and advancement of the Negro race."

Mr. Anderson's address was in characteristic vein, and voiced the hearty welcome of the people of the city of New York. He regarded the great commercial city, "with its virility, its hustle and bustle, its shrieking of whistles and clanger of bells, its rush and hurry, its tireless activity, its heroic courage, its hum and whirl of machinery, its echo of marts of trade, its screaming trains which rush overhead and under foot like shuttles on some mighty loom, and in short, the whole telegraphic, telephonic, Edisonic character of its commercial activity as a tremendous object-lesson to the League, telling the story of dangers met, difficulties encountered and successfully overcome."

Felicitous responses were made by Judge M. W Gibbs of Arkansas, and others. A strong letter from President Roosevelt was read He wished the organization great success, and said.

"I need hardly say that I put moral betterment above physical betterment. But it is absolutely impossible to do good work in promoting the spiritual improvement of any race unless there is a foundation of material wellbeing, because this foundation necessarily implies that the race has developed the root qualities of thrift, energy and business sense It is as true of a race as of an individual that while outsiders can help to a certain degree, yet the real help must come in the shape of self help."

Governor Frank W. Higgins of the state of New York, sent a letter in which he asked to have conveyed to the officers and members of the League the expression of his best wishes for the success of the meeting and for the continued prosperity of the organization in its chosen field. At the conclusion of the preliminaries, the routine of the convention was immediately taken up. Mr. R. B. Hudson, of Selma, Alabama, gave an account of the growth of his coal and wood business, tracing it from the early beginning when he delivered ten and fifteen cent orders in a wheelbarrow until now, when he delivers by the car load. "I regard the South as the place for the Negro" said Mr. Hudson, "where he can get assistance not only from his brothers, the black, but from his brothers, the white. In the North we can learn everything we can't use. In the South we can use everything we can learn."

William Alexander, of Little Rock. Ark. spoke of contracting for painting. He began by painting a barn with the sole capital of one paint brush and a pail. Albert Carter, of Westfield, Ind, told of his success in the hay business The liveliest episode of the first day's session followed the reading of a paper on "The Servant Question," by Mr. Oswald Garrison Villard, editor of the New York Evening Post. Mr. Villard analyzed very accurately

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The Useful and Helpful Emphasizied.

the problem of domestic service, pointing out the value of so increasing the efficiency of cooking, caretaking, etc., as to raise the work to the dignity of a profession. He paid high tribute to the capable Negro servants who are practical missionaries in bringing about a better understanding between the races. Justice Robert H. Terrell, of Washington, D. C., opened the discussion with an endorsement of all that Mr. Villard had said about the necessity for a more efficient grade of domestic service and created something of a sensation by charging that Negroes were, for the most part, unwilling to work in the families of persons of their own color. A spirited discussion was precipitated, in which many members took part, sentiment being about evenly divided as to whether Negroes were continuously opposed to serving Negroes. Before adjournment the following committees were announced:

Credentials—C. J. Smith, F. D Patterson, G. W. Franklin, J. C. Duke, H. A. Fandy.

Resolutions—T. Thomas Fortune, S. P. Hurst, Dr. J. R. Francis, J. M. Mound, Charles T. Bass, C. W. Keatts, Ira Guy.

Auditing—Wm. M. Vanderall, J. W. Swarther, R. L. Smith J. Douglas Wetmore, Mrs. Fannie Barrier Williams.

Nomination—P. A. Payton, M. W. Turner, Dr. S. E. Courtney, C. H. Smiley, John Rich, R. B. Hudson, W. I. Johnson, B. F. Wyche, I. T. Montgomery.

Revision of the constitution—Booker T. Washington, T. W. Jones, Fred R. Moore, Wilford H. Smith, T. Thomas Fortune.

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Palm Garden was packed long before the hour announced for the beginning of the evening session. People of every condition were present to hear the annual address of President Booker T. Washington, which for the past five years has been considered the stellar attraction of the several conventions, and which has sounded the key-note of the organization. It has been said with much truth that Booker T. Washington's latest speech is always his best speech, for with each utterance he brings out some new truth with more striking force, makes more emphatic some idea already touched upon, or meets the newer issues with the sanity and discrimination that give weight and authority to every option expressed by him, no matter what the subject. Dr. Washington did not disappoint those who came to hear him on this occassion. On the contrary, he surpassed expectations in that his address was pitched on lines unusually direct and specific. He answered criticism lodged against his policies and stated in unequivocal terms his attitude upon all the mooted questions of the hour—yet without referring in any way to the personality of his detractors. While the address this year is somewhat more brief than has been his wont heretofore, it is so compact and abounds in such a plenitue of solid substance, and covers so much interesting ground, that brevity serves as a positive element of strength. Not a word is wasted—every sentence is an epigram, ennunciating and emphasizing some cordial principle in progress and morals. It was a most effetive plea for harmony between the races, for all phases of education—industrial, technical, college and professional—and an exhortation to self-reliance, to a spirit of hopefulness, for geniousness, and to the importance of going forward on a basis that is practical and permanent. He advised racial unity, condeming the tendency on the part of some members of the race to fight one another, rather than the common enemy. He asked for justice, for opportunity, for protection for the Negro everywhere. He pointed out the value of original effort and doing for ourselves many of the things we have been demanding that others do for us. He vigorously opposed impotent wailing and idle complaint. Dr. Washington' logic is absolutely unanswerable, and his reasoning commends itself to every class of people who are healthy minded and imbued with the instinct of fair play. A few

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In Woman's ---World

BY "DOROTHY."

This column will be devoted to the interests of women. Questions will be cheerfully answered. In order to insure a reply it is necessary to give a pseudonym under which the querist may be answered. The full name and address must also be given This will not, under any circumstances, be published. No answer will be sent by mail unless a stamped envelope is received at this office. Address all communications to Woman's Corner, The Freeman, Indianaplis, Ind.

LIGHT.

The night has a thousand eyes,
  And the day but one;
Yet the light of the bright world dies
  With the dying sun.

The mind has a thousand eyes.
  And the heart but one;
Yet the light of a whole life dies
  When Love is done.
    —FRANCIS W. BOURDILLAN.

THE IDEAL TEACHER.

Before all other qualifications, however, the teacher's character is the fundamental requisite. That must be above reproach in all things. Milton's words about the poetic power are specially true in regard to the power to teach. "He who would not be frustrate," said the great poet, "of his hope to write well hereafter in laudable things, must himself be a true poem." He who would not be frustrate of his hope to teach well at any time ought himself to be a lofty exemplar of the virtues he would impress upon his pupils.

The teacher who stands before a class for hours every day ought to exert greater influence even than the clergyman who speaks from the pulpit one day in the week, and he ought at least to have an equally lofty character, known and recognized by men· The teacher who is master of his subject, and who has this nobility of character, needs no help of artifices to assist him in governing his pupils—he has simply to be, and they obey —Arthur Gilman in the August Atlantic.

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At the convention of factory inspectors and sociologists, at Detroit, August 15, Superintendent Bodine of compulsory education created a wild sensation among thd delegates by saying, "Man, like the Indian, is dying out and being driven out by woman." Mr. Bodine produced federal statistics covering the last twenty years, showing that the industrial competion of women, children and machine labor was driving the men out of the large cities to fields of heavy manual labor in mining and agriculture. He declared that woman was destined to be the ruling sex in industrialism and continued: "In 1890 there were 3 914,571 women who were employed in gainful occupations in America. In 1900 the number had increased to 5,829,807. The birth rate among the females is increasing and the death decreasing."

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The manager of the street railway of Sheboygan, Wis., has offered a free ride to any mother who boards a street car with her baby, to Lake View Beach resort, as an experiment in humanitarianism. The baby itself was the street car pass,

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Miss Helen Miller Gould is maintaining a charitable institution for poor children near Liberty, Sullivan County N. Y. Her latest charity is on a farm south of Liberty village. During the summer, children in parties of twelve have been kept at the farm, each party staying three weeks. At present there are five children on the farm, who stay through the year, in hope of building up their health.

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The state of Utah grants equal suffrage to women, There have been four women in the State Honse of Representatives and one woman Senator, Dr. Martha H. Cannon who served two terms. Mrs. La Barthe, Mrs. Alice Merrill Horne and Mrs. Coalter were representatives

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If you are an attendant or a member of a church where "parading" to the collection table is the order of the service, wouldn't you put the same amount in the basket? The "parading" and begging often spoil a good sermon. You know your financial duty to your church then give it quietly, that everything may be done to the glory of His Kingdom.

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The politeness and charming manners you admire so much in men can be taught your son and brother and sometimes your husband. You can't change the features to perfection, but the manners can be trained almost to that point.

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An African beauty must have very small eyes, pouting thick lips, a large nose perfectly flat, and a jetty skin, which from constant oiling positively glitters in the sunshine.

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A woman of five feet, four inches height should measure thirty-six inches about the bust, twenty-four inches around the waist, and forty-two inches about the hips. Her skirt measure should be forty-two inches to touch the ground, and she should weigh between one hundred and twenty-five and one hundred and thirty-six pounds.

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A barrel of salt is produced in the United States each year for every four inhabitants. New York is the leading salt producing state, the yield being one barrel for each inhabitant.

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An authority says that the majority of French women are wearing their hair dressed low for evening. In the daytime it is worn high or half-high, the hair being waved in a natural pompadour effect without the use of a roll beneath, and an invisible hair net is arranged over the entire head to keep the stray locks in place.

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A "garter bag" is a novelty, made like a little wallet in silk with a button over the flap, which is securely fastened on to the supporter or garter.

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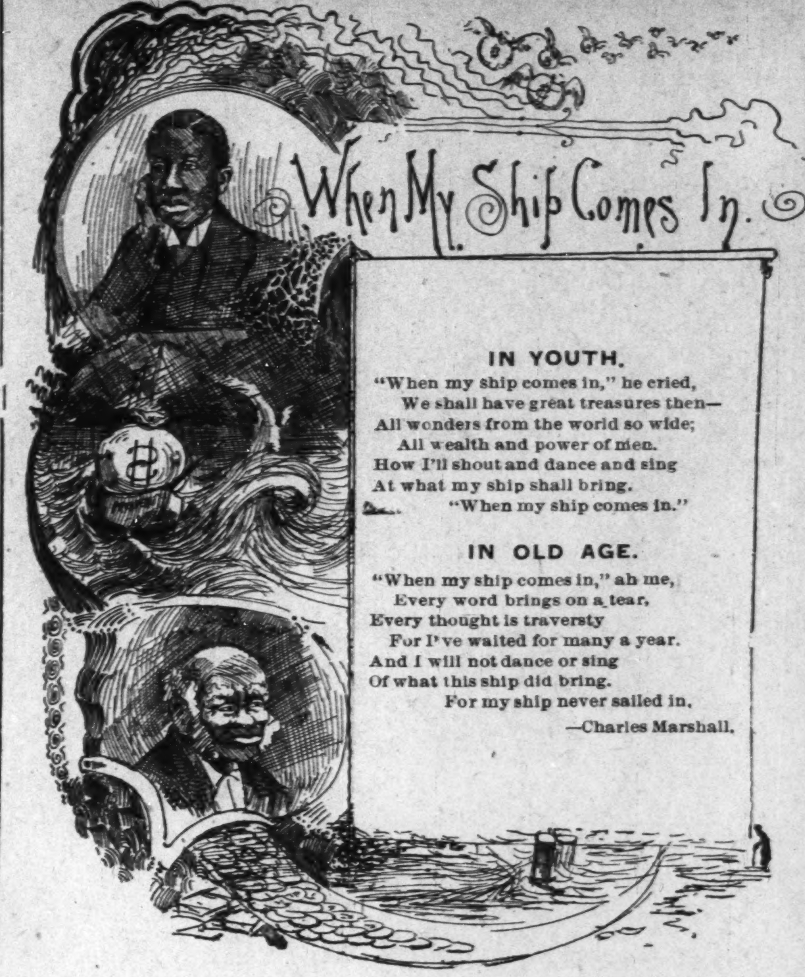

When My Ship Comes In.

IN YOUTH.

"When my ship comes in," he cried,
  We shall have great treasures then—
All wonders from the world so wide;
  All wealth and power of men.
How I'll shout and dance and sing
At what my ship shall bring.
    "When my ship comes in."

IN OLD AGE.

"When my ship comes in," ah me,
  Every word brings on a tear,
Every thought is traversty
  For I've waited for many a year.
And I will not dance or sing
Of what this ship did bring.
    For my ship never sailed in.
      —Charles Marshall.

AMONG BOOKMAKERS AND PARAGRAPHERS,

BY KENNETH REID.

Paul Lawrence Dunbar is living quietly and happily at his home in Dayton, O., and endures his ill health with patient resignation. He writes considerably, has much pleasant company from abroad and conducts a voluminous personal correspondence with friends.

The Urbana, Ohio, Informer, edited by Prof. E. W. B. Curry, shows signs of hostility to the re-election of Gov Myron T, Herrick.

Joseph Seamon Cotter, the poet educator of Louisville, author of "Links of Friendship," "Colet, the Degenerate," and other works, is preparing to issue a new volume, embracing a large number of fugitive poems, grave and gay, that have appeared from time to time in various newspapers and magazines. Mr. Cotter is the first Afro-American poet to be given space by "Suburban Life" Boston's organ of the Caucasian out door "Smart Set." Mr. Cotter has autograph letters, from Alfred Austin, England's poet laureate, Maxine Elliott, Mrs. Langtry, DeWolf Hopper. Israel Zangwill, Harrison Grey Fiske, editor of The New York Dramatic Mirror and Dr. Booker T. Washington concerning his literary and dramatic efforts.

Richard Le Roy Stokes, who has been doing some gilt edge literary work for a year or more on The New York Age, is an Indiana product. He is an undergraduate of Harvard, and formerly made his home in Terre Haute. Mr. Stokes is a versifier of some ability.

John A. Bell of Grand Rapids, Mich., who is a prominent Mason and a Shriner, is now writing the history and the origin and progress of the colored Shriners in the United States.

Ex-Senator John P. Green, one of the race's best posted men in historical subjects is said to be preparing an account of the life and military achievements of Toussaint L'Ouverture.

J. W. Poe, formerly identified with North Carolina politics has launched a worthy magazine at Washington, known as "The National Appeal."

There is a fear that the snap-journalism business in the District of Columbia may be overdone. Washington does not stand so sorely in need of more papers as in better ones.

Several short stories of educated merit, appearing over the signature of "William Murray," are having quite a vogue in the east. "Murray" of course is a non de plume. The author is a well-known and talented young newspaper man, who, for reasons best known to himself, wishes to earn a second reputation incog.

The censorious Alexandaia Home News has its eagle eye focused on the sometime editor of the Washington Colored American. Editor Murray blurts out in a recent edition the following paean of praise: "It's kinder funny that Ed. Cooper, correspondent, can find at least ten times as much news (?) as Ed. Cooper, editor and manager used to find," and thus bluntly gives expoession to an observation that others had long been thinking, but didn't have the heart to say so out loud. Editor Lewey, of the Florida Sentinel, cases Cooper "a characteristic correspondent"—whatever that may mean.

Charles Alexander is a busy man these days. "Alexander's Magazine" is a beauty typographscally, and in literary merit would do credit to any race under the sun.

Jerome B. Peterson, junior proprietor of the New York Age and United States Consul at Puerto Cabello, Venezuela, is in this country on a vacation. He is the guest of Mr. Fortune at Red Bank, N. J. Mr. Peterson has been a constant and informing correspondent of the Daily Consular Reports issued by the Department of Labor and Commerce.

The sprightly Cleveland Journal asks: "Why doesn't R W. Thompson begin a school of journalism?" and adds encouragingly, "We can use a thousand pens like his." Mr. Thompson is already teaching up to-date journalism by heroic example. The class is open every week, and all may enter who feel so disposed.

We are disinclined to take any stock in the assertion that the Washington Bee is the official Afro-American edition of the notorious 'Fads and Fanies." Editor Chase would not stoop to take advantage of the follies and foibles of "society"—no, not for worlds!

The Columbus (Ohio) Standard is using Springfield, Dayton and Cincinnati date-lines and covers the additional points with simultaneous issues of the paper.

Gen. Firmin, one of Haiti's literary lights has just completed a work entitled "M Roosevelt, President, President of the United States and the Republic of Haiti." The book is to be printed in New York.

Rev. B. J. Bolding is associate editor of the Baltimore Lancet.

The Reformer, of Richmond, Va. is out in a handsome new dress. Its evident prosperity "dee-lights" us beyond expression, for, The Reformer is indeed a very worthy disciple of the "fourth estate."

T. Thomas Fortune has placed before the public a choice collection of his poems under the romatic caption "Dreams of Life." Mr. Fortune is equally at home in the realms of poetry as the printer's case, the editor's desk, and in the arena of economic investigation or polemic discussion. His new book is enjoying a ready sale.

The Star of Zion has spent $7 000 during the current year on new machinery type, etc., and now has a first-class printing plant Manager Moreland is a hustler.

John W. A Shaw's "Conflicts of a Race" is a recent contribution to the pamphlet output on the Negro problem

"Tuskegee and Its People," Emmett J. Scott's graphic protrayal of the inner life of the race's greatest industrial center, has caught the fancy of the reviewers on the standard journals of both races. The demand for it is so unexpectedly heavy that a second edition is already under way by D. Appleton Company.

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"The Criterion" hailing from Richmond, Va, is the latest journalistic venture of importance W. S. Blackburn is the editor and Giles B. Jackson has charge of the business end. The Criterion's special mission is to promote the interests of the Negro Department of the Jamestown Exposition of 1907, and to exploit the industrial and productive development of tee race generally. It is a good-looking sheet, and we hope it has come to stay.

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Mrs. Grace Lucas Thompson, formerly connected with the public schools of Indiananapolis, is a member of the local staff of the New Albany Evening Tribune, the leading daily published at her present home in southern Indiana.

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W. T. Menard, the witty correspondent of the Florida Sentinel is the father of an exceptionally gifted boy of 17, who was graduated with honors last June from the M Street High School at Washington, and will enter Williams College at Walden, Mass., this fall Willis, Jr., is a "chip off the old block" and has a brilliant future before him.

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ERIE, PA.

Miss Lottie Lloyd, of Titusville, Pa., is visiting Miss Ella Powers.—Lewis Franklin, Robert Baxter. Arthur Drew, Misses Effie Lawrence and Bessie Washington be will the guests of Mrs. William Gee, at Cleveland, O., Sunday. Rev. John C Coleman, of Halifax, N. S., presiding elder of the A. M. E church of Canada, spent a few days with Rev. Mosley.—Mrs. Asbury Dale has returned from an extended visit at Rome, N. Y.—Mesdames Thomas W. Cooper and Charles Slow are spending the week among friends at Etingburg. Pa.

The Freeman at Kansas City, Mo.

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A HINT TO THE BISHOP,

(From Daily Standard-Union, Brooklyn.)

I. W. Wells, chairman of the Grievance Committee of the Bethel A. M. E Church, Manhattan, and who speaks for the officers and congregation of said church, makes the following statement:

"Since 1820 Bethel church, New York, has been loyal to the A. M. E connection, and has held no mean place in the front ranks, and has done no small service for the race At this present time this church owns the most valuable piece of real estate in possession of the race anywhere in the world The congregation is one of the largest assembled in a race church, and the officers feel that the church deserves fair treatment at the hands of the recently assigned bishop.

"We are about to be forced to withdraw from the connection, as the only way of protecting our altar from the profane presence of the man whom our bishop insists on holding in office in spite of the fact that churches in New York and Brooklyn have told most positively that the presiding elder is not acceptable to the people. Lately we complied with the bishop's request and furnished him a written statement of some of the reasons why the people have determined that, under no circumstances, will they submit, even one minute, to the sin of allowing the presiding elder to officiate. The bishop treated this statement with dishonor in that he undertakes to regard it as being a charge that must be investigated He had ordered that a trial be held in Bethel church, notwithstanding his personal knowledge of the truth of the statements we have made and the terrible disgrace that would come upon the race should we be forced to give to the public the facts in our possession.

"A son of our bishop, who was recently deposed from the position as financial agent of a Western school, is more active in directing the affairs belonging to his father's office than is pleasing to us. We have decided to say this much through the papers in the hope that the bishop will be led to show some regard for public opinion, and will remove from office one whom his own son can inform him is not acceptable. If we are forced to withdraw from the connection we will give to the world a full statement of our reasons. We will first set forth what we know of the bishop and his sons and the man whom he is allowing to destroy our peace, and request the Bench of Bishops to remove our present bishop Failing in this, we will take our own course.

I. W. WELLS, Chairman."

JEFFERSONVILLE, IND.

The contract of Prof. R. Frank Taylor, principal of the high school, for the new year calls for a substantial increase in salary, a deserved tribute to his ability as an instructor.—Rev. E. W, S. Hammond lectured recently at Wesley Chapel on "Wheel within a Wheel."—David Jones, late of the 10th Cavalry, stationed at Ft, Washakie, Wyoming, has been assigned to the Quartermaster's Depot here as government blacksmith.—Henry Vertress, who was appointed government blacksmith for the Klamath Indian Reservation, Oregon, has declined the position on account of the great distance from base.—Rev. T. J. White, pastor of Bethel church, has gone to Canada, to take unto himself a "betterhalf."—The firm of Modlin and Wilson, undertakers, has been dissolved. Mr. Isaac Modlin has embarked in busines for himself at St. Paul, Minn.—The troubles of the United States Negro Enterprise Association have been adjusted, and the receivership will be discontinued. Sufficient stock has been sold to meet all obligations and the park controlled by the Association will be a paying investment and pay dividends by next season. The patronage has been liberal, and the report is a credit to the race. Rev. A. J. Spears is president of the Association and Jet- eral W. Jones is secretary —Miss Mattie McClellan is in Chicago.—The American Car and Foundry Company is working at almost full blast now and gives employment to nearly four hundred colored men at living wages—There is a capital opening here for an enterprising colored physician.—Miss Mable Evans has matriculated in the trained nurse department of the Louisville National Medical College.

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Mobile, Ala., will soon have a new and up-to-date hotel. This hotel will take the place of the old Battle House, which was destroyed by fire some time ago. The waiters of Mobile should be prepared for any requirement this new hotel may exact of them.

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Mr. T. J. McDermott of Liberal, Kan., has purchased a half interest in the Angelus Hotel, El Paso, Texas, for $45,000, buying from the Bailey Hotel Company, which retains a half interest. Some remodeling will be done at once. The present dining room will be converted into a billiard room, while the two rooms fronting on Mecca street, now occupied by stores, will be converted into a large dining room and cafe.

For three seasons girls have been employed as waiters in the chain of hotels operated at the great National Yellowstone Park. In these hotels colored waiters were formerly employed, but owing to the class of men engaged for the work each season the company has seen fit to try girls. It is said, on the best authority, that the headwaiters going to this great resort would not take a man if he did not gamble. It is needless to say that the positions were sacrificed to this graft principle on the part of those who sought the positions more for the privilege of selling whisky and gambling among the crew.

BRIEF REVIEW OF THE HISTORY

Of the Head, Second and Side Waiters' National Benefit Association.

By W. ALONZO LOCKE.

When the above named organization was organized, it was known as the Head and Second Waiters' National Benefit Association, but since the enactment of a law making side men eligible to membership, it took the name it now has.

When the Association was in progress of organization, perhaps we might say long before the promoters could see any tangible evidence of their work—it was their ardent prayer that God might help them in this undertaking, because of its great need, scope and possible good to the Negro waiters.

The climax was reached September 20, 1899, at Bethel Church, corner 30th and Dearborn streets, Chicago, Ill., when head and second waiters, their wives and friends from different parts of the country, met and organized the Association, which is to-day the pride and ambition of every colored headwaiter and sidewaiter in the United States.

It was not their purpose to meet annually for fun or amusement, or to deal in meaningless platitudes; but to consider philosophically the things staring us in the face. There is no denying the fact that a wise and calm discussion, would help those directly or indirectly concerned in the things discussed.

It would be impossible to say anything regarding this organization, without saying much about, and giving great credit to Messrs. W. Forrest Cozart and John B. Goins, both of whom expended much time and money to consumate the plans they worked so hard to carry out. They had the valuable assistants in the persons of F. C. Long, J. J. Miles, Capt. A. Thomas, Ben Thompkins, E. W. Harper, E. C. Holland, E T. Montgomery and others. It is no exaggeration to say that most of these men, whose working hours were from early morning until late at night, would sit up until after mid night writing letters to various headwaiters, showing the importance of such an organization and asking their co-operation. Several hundred dollars were expended even before there was a probability that their efforts would be a success.

The first year or two in the life of the Association much good was accomplished by securing employment for unemployed members. Nine headwaiters were given work through its influence the first year, twenty-two the second and almost a corresponding increase every year since.

Death benefits were paid beneficiaries and a correspondence opened up through the columns of "The Freeman" that put 70,000 colored waiters and headwaiters in weekly touch with each other, two-thirds of whom would probably never be known to the remaining third.

There is no question but what the Headwaiters' Association has done more to inspire and lift up discouraged and reckless waiters than any other agent involved.

Too much cannot be said in praise of our president, Mr. Frank P. Thompson. Mr. Thompson's long years of experience, coupled with a strong personality, make him an ideal man for the very trying position he so successfully fills. Since his election, three years ago, the membership has increased steadily and surprisingly till we now have 520 members, 480 of whom are financial.

There is at present nearly six times as many members as when he assumed charge of the office. It was Mr. Thompson who started the move for the admission of sidewaiters to membership. At the fifth annual meeting at Atlantic City, N. J., a law was enacted which admitted sidewaiters to full membership. Their admission fee is smaller than head and second waiters and their sick benefit is correspondingly smaller. The Association has come to stay, and each year will add to its usefulness.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Louisville, Ky, Special.—W. H. Steward, delegate to the World's Baptist Congress at London, England, has returned. He was tendered an elaborate public reception Tuesday evening at Odd Fellow's Hall and gave a most interesting account of his trip. The address of welcome by Lawyer Albert S. White showed how well Editor Steward stands in the esteem of his home community. Drs. C. H. Parrish, J. H. Frank, Miss Nannie H. Buroughs and Mrs. Goins and other prominent delegates will be similarly honored by their friends shortly.—W. T. Garnett and D. L. Knight are delegates to the sixth annual session of the National Negro Business League meeting in New York. At a recent meeting of the Kentucky Colored Christian Women's Board of Missions, President Maggie Freeman spoke at length of the need of an industrial school for the colored girls of the state, and made a strong plea for financial aid to secure the organization of such a school. She says there is a great opportunity for work of consecrated women in the slums and also for neighborhood effort.—Miss Cornelia Roxborough, who has been successfully conducting the industrial school in connection with the Church of Our Merciful Savior, has resigned to take up work of a similar character at Anaconda, Montana, where she goes to make her home with her sister, Mrs. Claude Reynolds.—Miss Georgia A Nugent is in Denver.—Many of our teachers are taking special courses this year at the University of Chicago.—Rev. R. S. Rives celebrated his 32nd anniversary in the ministry recently at Broadway church, and many friends contributed to the memorial the sum of thirty-two cents. A delightful program was rendered. The degree of LL. D. was conferred upon Dr. Rives by Prof. R. L. Anthony of the McKinley Memorial University.—The Cincinnati District conference of the A. M. E. Zion church raised $30 for Atkinson College at its session at Taylortown.—J. F. Chipley entertained a large house party last week at the residence of Mr and Mrs. A. D. Jackson, 2424 Shelby street, in honor of Miss Glendora Stafford, of Clifton, Arizona.—A complimentary concert in honor of Mrs Mamie Gaddie-Rogers-Plaut is talked of.—Miss Lattimore succeeds Miss Roxborough at the Merciful Savior industrial school.—Mrs. A. E. Meyzeek is visiting in Indianapolis.—Rev. T. F Blue has been placed in charge of the colored branch of the Louisville Public Library, temporarily located on Chestnut street near 12th. A $10,000 new building is to be erected soon with a portion of the Carnegie fund, which has been set aside for the benefit of the colored people. Another branch is to be established later on in the east end.—There is talk of combining the congregation of 15th street Zion church with Broadway and establishing a new branch of Zion in the vicinty of Portor Parkland.—Rev. G. C. Clement, the able editor of the Star of Zion, will be here on the 20th and preach at Broadway church. A woma'n convention is scheduled for the 16th and 17th at the same church.

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THAT PROBLEM.

We should like very much to have some of our able men give us a well written article on the subject of "That Problem; What It Is and What It is Not." While we are willing to admit that there is not much in a mere name, we are beginning to regard the term "race problem" as a misnomer, for the reason that we see it more and more as an ethical problem instead of a problem of race. It is easily seen that where one race is engrafted on another more numerous and powerful one—engrafted, in the sense that the weaker is within, and a part of the same national body—a race problem is sure to result from such a union, provided the weaker one of the two is inflexable and holds ideals and ambitions essentially different from, and at variance with, the ideals and ambitions of the race by which it is surrounded. But no such difference as this exists in this country. Indeed, it would be difficult to find another instance in which one race ever yielded so readily to the habits, customs and tastes of another race as has the Negro to the Anglo-Saxon in America. That he possesses the same feelings is shown in the fact that his hopes, his longings and his ambitions run on lines that go parallel to those of his neighbor. He toils for the same reason, and hopes for the same rewards of comfort and independence, and is thrilled alike by the same flag. As to his progress in education and along the lines of industry, he is willing to take the testimony of the white American. Then wherein is this problem a race problem? Is it a race problem because the races stand apart? There are thousands of people in this country who would rather take their own lives than marry any one of a large number of their own race. The rattle-snake, the prairie dog and the owl enjoy the same common benefits of the same habitation without being disturbed by the spector of intermarriage which seems to haunt the dreams of Thomas Dixon and Ben Tillman, This remarkable condition is made possible by each respecting the common rights of the others. Now, is not this respect for the rights of others all that is necessary to bring a lasting peace between the races in this country?

It is pretty generally admitted that there is a general indisposition to respect the citizen and manhood rights of the colored man. It is further admitted that these are being more and more circumscribed. These rights, many of them, have a place in our Constitution and the Declaration of Independence, and form the basic principal of Christianity. Thus it is ethical, rather than a racial problem, and its adjustment in largest measure must come in a change of those who violate this ethical code. We do not believe it will be denied that the Negro has made rapid progress in the past forty years. If he has shown himself less satisfied to remain the servant, this, certainly, is an evidence of that progress, as must be admitted by those who are not thoroughly selfish. It would be a very pleasing circumstance if there lived in this country a numerous people who had no ambition beyond that of the servant and whose hopes ran no higher than doing the hard work for some one else and waiting upon them, but, certainly, the principles upon which the Anglo-Saxon claims to stand would leave such things to the tastes of those to be employed rather than to the wish of those who desire to be served. It seems to us that the bone of contention is just here. If these and other God given rights are denied, whose is the fault? By what right would one person fix the status of another?

So, this problem is a test of the Anglo-Saxon to abide by his professed principles. So long as it remains a problem, just so long will the people of the dominant race be on trial. Can they bring themselves to that point which make them admit in practice that life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are rights held in common? Are they ready to declare in practice that all men are equal before the law, and alike entitled to the protection of the law? Are they willing to do unto others as they would that others do unto them? Do they really believe in the religion of Jesus Christ, and are they really trying to live according to its teaching?

If these questions can be answered by the Anglo-Saxon in the affirmative, then there will be no race problem to solve, but, rather, an ethical problem for all alike. A failure to give such an answer to these questions makes the Declaration of Independence a lie, the Constitution a sham, and the Sermon on the Mount only so much nonsense. We have a problem, a moral problem, the solution of which will remove all other problems. Its solution demands more of Christ and less of the Devil. Its failure means the failure of us all.

THOMAS DIXON, JR.

The Saturday Evening Post of August 19th contains an article by Mr. Dixon, which is an after flash in small form of his Leopard's Spots. Out of respect to the cloth we do not call him "Reverend" because it is impossible for us to conceive of a real representative of the meek and lowly Jesus possessing his brutality and evident illwill. The title of the article is "Booker T. Washington and the Negro," which was no doubt used to catch the eye of the public. The front page of this number contains the picture of a Negro girl bearing a tea tray and with apron, cap and calico dress she has all that neat appearance of the ideal servant girl in the Southern home. The two sitting figures at the beginning of the article, with manacled wrists across the knees and heads bowed, and the phanton ship in the growing darkness at the close makes a picture of despair and desolation. We do not know whether or not the pictures were designed by Mr. Dixon, but it is all artistic and makes a setting in perfect harmony with the spirit of the reading matter. It should be read by every adult in America because of the possible brutality with which it charges the American people. While we have not the space which it merits in reply, it cannot be passed without notice. We are not so prejudiced as to keep us from admitting that it possesses some good points, but these are overshadowed by those that are un-American, un-Christian and inhuman.

Just how the author can say that he has "for the Negro race only pity and sympathy" while at the same time saying that in the end they will be either killed or driven from these shores, can be accounted for in but one of two ways. He either believes himself more humane than the great body of his own race, and is merely predicting what will come to pass, or else he is more inhuman than the majority of his own race, and is charging it with a crime it will not commit.

But it seems that the weakness of Mr. Dixon's argument is made plain in this. He quotes Mr. Washington as saying, "Give the black man so much skill and brains that he can cut oats like a white man then he can compete with him."

He then continues:

"And then the real tragedy will begin. Does any sane man believe that, when the Negro ceases to work under the direction of the Southern white man, this 'arrogant,' 'rapacious' and 'intolerant' race will allow the Negro to master his industrial system, take the bread from his mouth, crowd him to the wall and place a mortgage on his house? * * * Could fatuity reach a sublimer height than the idea that the white man will stand idly by and see this performance? What will he do when put to the test? He will do exactly what his white neighbor in the North does when the Negro threatens his bread—kill him!"

In the language of the old colored brother who had listened to the trial sermon of his prospective pastor we think this sounds "powerful weak." We think he makes a serious reflection on his white brothers when he sees the Negro banker and property holder having the Anglo-Saxon at his mercy. We understand organized labor will do to the "scab" workman whether he be white or black, but to charge that the black man will be killed simply because he holds a job that a white man wants is to make all white workmen highwaymen. If such things should come to pass that all colored men found working would be killed because they were working, we would rather be one of those dead Negroes than a living white man.

But the whole of Mr. Dixon's wail is because all Negroes are not contented to be abject servants. This is not new. It has long been known that all the pressure of the Bourbon element is to force all Negroes to be willing servants. This is shown by his statement that the southern white man has no use for an educated Negro. But they seek the impossible. The same desire of any race for education and independent manhood is in the Negro, and whatever may be the alternative he will refuse to be the ignorant servant of others as long as he can find the opportunity of being an intelligent worker for himself.

FOLDED HANDS.

Poor, tired hands that toiled so hard for me,
At rest before me now I see them lying.
They toiled so hard, and yet we could not see
That she was dying.

Poor rough, red hands, that drudged the live-long day,
Still busy when the midnight oil was burning;
Oft toiling on until she saw the gray
Of day returning.

If I could sit and hold those tired hands,
And feel the warm life blood within them beating,
And gaze with her across the twilight lands,
Some whispered words repeating.

I think to-night that I would love her so,
And I could tell my love to her so truly,
That e'en though tired she would not wish to go
And leave me thus unduly.

Poor tired heart that had so weary grown,
That death came all unheeded o'er it creeping;
How still it is to sit here all alone
While she is sleeping.

Dear patient heart that deemed the heavy care
Of drudging household toil its highest duty;
That laid aside its precious yearning there
Along with beauty.

Dear heart and hands, so pulseless, still and cold,
(How peacefully and dreamlessly she's sleeping!)
The spotless shroud of rest above them fold,
And leave me weeping.

—Albert Biglow Paine.

THE DEFENSE LEAGUE.

NOTICE.

A part of the article by Thomas Dixon in the Saturday Evening Post of Aug. 19, is printed in this issue and will be concluded next week. The following members of this League are requested to write him a personal letter during the next thirty days. If his Virginia address is unknown send same in care of Saturday Evening Post, Philadelphia, Pa.:

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The truth of the old saying that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure is pretty well shown in the case of New Orleans. They are now making vast expenditures in labor and money to get rid of yellow fever, whereas, if only a part of this expenditure had been made at the right time there would have been no yellow ever at that point. We are always adding proof that we learn only by experience.

When we begin life the world is small. All that lies outside of our immediate neighborhood are things of but little concern. When we reach middle age the world, with all its affars, is something tremendous. When our shadows begin to lengthen toward the East there comes once more the feeling that, after all, the world and all its concerns are matters of but little consequence.

Thomas Dixon has an article in the Saturday Evening Post of last week that should give the jarring factions a jolt sufficient to stop all internal jealousies and bickerings. Use your intellectual swords on the common enemy instead of hacking at each other with them.

The speech of Booker T. Washington before the Business Men's League was a model of simplicity. It was lacking in any attempt at oritorical flights. It was right down on the ground floor and presented the essentials with a directness that was commendable and pleasing.

A man and woman were married in Helena, Mont., the other day, and after the ceremony the man learned that she was his wife twenty years before. He isn't the first man who married a woman he didn't know.

Russia must have been expecting to get a prize in exchange for her consent to stop getting licked.

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BOOKER T. WASHINGTON AND THE NEGRO.

SOME DANGEROUS ASPECTS OF THE WORK OF TUSKEGEE.

BY THOMAS DIXON, JR., AUTHOR OF THE LEOPARD'S SPOTS.

For Mr. Booker T. Washington as a man and leader of his race I have always had the warmest admiration. His life is a romance which appeals to the heart of universal humanity. The story of a little ragged, barefooted piccaninny who lifted his eyes from a cabin in the hills of Virginia, saw a vision and followed it, until at last he presides over the richest and most powerful institution of learning in the South, and sits down with crowned heads and Presidents, has no parallel even in the Tales of the Arabian Nights.

The spirit of the man, too, has always impressed me with its breadth, generosity and wisdom. The aim of his work is noble and inspiring. As I understand it from his own words, it is "to make Negroes producers, lovers of labor, honest, independent, good." His plan for doing this is to lead the Negro to the goal through the development of solid character, intelligent industry and material acquisition.

Only a fool or a knave can find fault with such an ideal. It rests squarely on the eternal verities. And yet it will not solve the Negro problem nor bring us within sight of its solution. Upon the other hand, it will only intensify that problem's dangerous features, complicate and make more difficult its ultimate settlement.

It is this tragic fact to which I am trying to call the attention of the nation.

I have for the Negro race only pity and sympathy, though every large convention of Negroes since the appearance of my first historical novel on the race problem has gone out of its way to denounce me and declare my books caricatures and libels on their people. Their mistake is a natural one. My books are hard reading for a Negro, and yet the Negroes, in denouncing them, are unwittingly denouncing one of their best friends.

I have been intimately associated with Negroes since the morning of my birth during the Civil War. My household servants are all Negroes. I took them to Boston with me, moved them to New York, and they now have entire charge of my Virginia home. The first row I ever had on the Negro problem was when I moved to Boston from the South to take charge of a fashionable church at the Hub. I attempted to import my baby's Negro nurse into a Boston hotel. The proprietor informed me that no "coon" could occupy a room in his house in any capacity, either as guest or servant. I gave him a piece of my mind and left within an hour.

As a friend of the Negro race I claim that he should have the opportunity for the highest, noblest and freest development of his full, rounded manhood. He has never had this opportunity in America, either North or South, and he never can have it. The forces against him are overwhelming.

My books are simply merciless records of conditions as they exist, conditions that can have but one ending if they are not honestly and fearlessly faced. The Civil War abolished chattel slavery. It did not settle the Negro problem. It settled the Union question and created the Negro problem. Frederic Harrison, the English philosopher, declared that the one great shadow which clouds the future of the American Republic is the approaching tragedy of the irreconcilable conflict between the Negro and White Man in the development of our society. Mr. James Bryce recently made a similar statement.

If allowed to remain here the Negro race in the United States will number 60,000,000 at the end of this century by their present rate of increase. Think of what this means for a moment and you face the gravest problem which ever puzzled the brain of statesman or philosopher. No such problem ever before confronted the white man in his recorded history. It cannot be whistled down by opportunists, politicians, weak-minded optimists or female men. It must be squarely met and fought to a finish.

The truth which is gradually forcing itself upon thoughtful students of our national life is that no scheme of education or religion can solve the race problem, and that Mr. Booker T. Washington's plan, however high and noble, can only intensify its difficulties.

This conviction is based on a few big fundamental facts, which no pooh-poohing ostrich-dodging, weak-minded philanthropy or political rant can obscure

The first one is that no amount of education of any kind, industrial, classical or religious, can make a Negro a white man or bridge the chasm of the centuries which separate him from the white man in the evolution of human civilization.

Expressed even in the most brutal terms of Anglo Saxon superiority there is here an irreducible fact. It is possibly true, as the Negro, Prof. Kelly Miller claims, that the Anglo-Saxon is "the most arrogant and rapacious, the most exclusive and intolerant race in history." Even so, what answer can be given to his cold-blooded proposition: "Can you change the color of the Negro's skin, the kink of his hair, the bulge of his lip or the beat of his heart with a spelling-book or a machine?"

No man has expressed this idea more clearly than Abraham Lincoln when he said: "There is a physical difference between the white and black races which, I believe, will forever forbid them living together on terms of social and political equality."

Whence this physical difference? Its secret lies in the gulf of thousands of years of inherited progress which separates the child of the Aryan from the child of the African.

Buckle in his History of Civilization says: "The actions of bad men produce only temporary evil, the actions of good men only temporary good. The discoveries of genius alone remain; it is to them we owe all that we now have; they are for all ages and for all times; never young and never old, they bear the seeds of their own lives; they are essentially cumulative."

Judged by this supreme test, what contribution to human progress have the millions of Africans who inhabit this planet made during the past four thousand years? Absolutely nothing. And yet, Mr. Booker T. Washington in a recent burst of eloquence over his educational work boldly declares:

"The Negro race has developed more rapidly in the thirty years of its freedom than the Latin race has in one thousand years of freedom."

Think for a moment of the pitiful puerility of this statement falling from the lips of the greatest and wisest leader the Negro race has yet produced?

Italy is the mother of genius, the inspiration of the ages, the creator of architecture, agriculture, manufactures, commerce, law, science, philosophy, finance, church organization, sculpture, music, painting and literature, and yet the American Negro in thirty years has outstripped her thousands of years of priceless achievement.

Education is the development of that which is. The Negro has held the Continent of Africa since the dawn of history, crunching acres of diamonds beneath his feet. Yet he never picked one up from the dust until a white man showed to him its light. His land swarmed with powerful and docile animals, yet he never built a harness, cart or sled. A hunter by necessity, he never made an ax, spear or arrowhead worth preserving beyond the moment of its use. In a land of stone and timber, he never carved a block, sawed a foot of lumber or built a house save of broken sticks and mud, and for four thousand years he gazed upon the sea yet never dreamed a sail.

Who is the greatest Negro that ever lived according to Mr. Booker T. Washington? Through all his books he speaks this man's name with bated breath and uncovered head—"Frederick Douglass of sainted memory!" And what did Saint Frederick do? Spent a life in bombastic vituperation of the men whose genius created the American Republic, wore himself out finally drawing his salary as a Federal office-holder, and at last achieved the climax of Negro sainthood by marrying a white woman!

(Continued Next Week.)

VIEWS AND REVIEWS.

In the July number of the Bibliatheca Sacra, a religious and sociological quarterly, may be seen an excellent article on "The Negro South and North," by Prof. W. E. B. Dubois. In his introduction Mr. Dubois has the following to say:

"It has been my good fortune in the last ten years to have the opportunity of studying with some care the negro problem of two large cities, Atlanta and Philadelphia; and I want in this article to institute some comparisons between the social problems that surround these groups of Negroes.

"First of all, we must not forget how different a social and economic revolution the Southern city is passing through from the condition of things in the North. From the plantation economy of the slave regime to the elaborately organized industrial city of modern times is a far step, and when taken in haste gives rise to grave social disturbances. All along the way from Philadelphia one may see rising the bare ugly walls of factories; from Atlanta to New Orleans appear smoking mines and foundries; from New rOleans to Galveston, from Galveston back to Savannah, are broad, white fields of cotton to clothe the world; and in the midst of all this industry are the growing network of railways, the expanding trade, the spreading cities, and more and more eager race for the new wealth. One has but to contrast this with the stately languor the half-shabby gentility, of the old plantation life, to realize how vast a social upheaval is here beginning. The old economy, manner of life, ways of earning a living, and ways of thinking are slowly changing. The sons of the masters are crowding elbows with the poor whites; the poor whites are rushing to town, into the mills and factories, behind the counters, in the counting rooms, and in the legislative halls. Old social conventions, exclusive social classes, and the more ceremonious etiquette, all are falling before the rule of business and commerce and the leadership of the newly rich. Here are social problems enough—problems of birth and breeding, of education and technical training, of business ethics, of municipal administration, of political expediency. There is necessarily the moral ferment that must accompany economic change—the vaster questions of right and wrong in man and neighbor and city and nation.

Relative to the Southern white Mr. Dubois has this to say:

"Not primarily from observation, but from their cradles they have been taught to believe, and today they do believe, that Negroes are not men in the same sense that white people are; that they are good-natured and faithful creatures, and in their proper spheres, useful to the community, but that the mass of them, by reason of small national ability, low moral responsibility, and physical build, are doomed to be always the servant and inferiors of the whites.

Farther on he says the homes of the colored people are, on the whole, less pretentious than those of the average Philadelphia Negro; perhaps thirty-five per cent of the colored people live in one and two-room tenements, while over sixty per cent of those in Atlanta are thus crowded together. The houses, like most Southern homes, are frail boxes, poorly protected from the weather, but, so far as dirt and sanitation are concerned, they are not very bad. The average Negro family of Atlanta lives in two or three rooms and pays from three to eight dollars a month rent.

He deals with politics in this manner:

The mayor of Atlanta is usually elected in a total poll of seven hundred votes. Now in such a system there are obvious flaws. First, it would seem impossible for a black Democrat to compel the party managers to admit him to the primary by recourse to the courts; and, secondly, the negroes could flock to the polls on the legal election day, and either cause the white voters the trouble of two elections or the triumph of a rival to the party nominee. These things and many others are possible, but they do not happen by reason of the tremendous force of crystalized public opinion. The social standing, the business credit, the ultimate success of the social white men depend on their bowing to this unwritten law; while the Negro is held by the fact that his bread and the protection of his family, depend solely on the good will of the white employers, and this good will he cannot afford to jeopardize by vainly flying in the face of public opinion.

C. M.

OPINION OF THE PRESS

WHAT NEGROES ARE DOING.

New York Evening Post.

The picked men and women of the race are steadily forging ahead. The Negro does really work, despite the large number of loafers visible to the eye in Northern and Southern cities for the census has proved that over 45 per cent of the ten millions of colored people are breadwinners. Whereas practically the entire race was engaged in industrial or household labor in 1865, there are today two thirds employed in agricultural pursuits. They are working 746,717 farms, of which they own fully 300,000. Since Negro farmers produce annually nearly two-fifths of all the cotton raised in the United States, it is but natural that they should like to do business with men of their own race. Coincident with the rise of the Negro farmer, there have appeared 55,237 railroad employes, 23,266 sawmill workers, 21,113 carpenters, 14,386 masons and 12,327 ironworkers. No less than 21,067 Negroes are teaching youth of their race, as are 15,568 clergymen. In view of these figures it is evident that the Negro business man is here.

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The Stage

George Israel writes that he is once more in the great city of Beaumont. Tex., after three years' successful tour with Rusco & Hollands' big minstrel show.

Beecham & Crosby are making good under canvas; Beecham as comedian and the latter straight man and pianister They send regards to all performers. At Hudson, Wis., the week of August 27.

Mallory Bros., Brooks & Halliday have opened their vaudeville season and are booked solid to Christmas in the best eastern houses, opened August 21 at Proctor's Twenty-third street Theatre New York City.

Billy Arnte writes from Millican's Plantation Co.—This is our second week in Fort Wayne and business is good. We are showing to S. R. O. at every performance. William Brown has bought a new bass violin and is doing nicely.

Simpson & Gates write.—We had great success playing the circuit of parks in New York this season and expect to travel with one of the numerous colored shows the coming season. Regards to the Kemp Comedy Fonr.

Notes from the Amburg Concert Company.—Every body is well and doing well. The band is constantly improving and will be ready for the winter season. We have not any engagement yet thuugh ready for any concert company. Vaughn & Crosby are hard to beat; Master George Reed, comedian keeps them roaring. Regards to all friends.

Notes of Damon's New Orleans Colored Students.—This company, eight in number under the personal direction of Prof. A. M. Da non, who has been instructing them the past ninety days on mandolins and banjos and they have become very proficient on these instruments. The structure of the entertainment will be musical and comedy. Mr. Damon is ustly proud of his company. They opened at Gardner, Kans., August 24.

Edward Price wri es from Ocmulgee Park, Macon, Ga.—We are well and doing nicely. The park is in full bloom and the show under my management is still the talk of Macon as being the best ever seen in the city in comedy lines. Madame Price and I are presenting this week one of the new high-class acts, songs by the Madame and fun by myself which is a scream from start to finish. We opened here May 15 and are still the card on the program, All mail will reach us at 618 Poplar street, Macon, Ga.

LeRoy Bland's Letter from California.—John Brewer (Maud) sailed August 6, for Melbourne, Australia with Mr. McAdoo to work as star-actor in his Melbourne House and the continent. Rance Smith is better. The Southern Quartet has gone to Los Angeles. Laura and Charlie Bently have returned from an extended trip in the mountains. The Wells are laying off after ten weeks steady work. LeRoy Bland is still at the Mid-way; Dave Barton has returned from the mountains; Carlisle & Baker are on their way East. Watch the new team Bland & Fry, in the juggle ac "Dahomian Queen.' They will open shortly at the Oberon.

THE FREEMAN POSTOFFICE.

LADIES' LIST.

Bluford, Miss Hattie
Clark, Mrs. Leah
Foster, Miss Leona D
Gilliam, Miss Tenia
Gant, Mrs Mabel
Minet, Miss Alberta
Moss, Miss Laura 2
Me rin, Mrs Glenn H
Turner, Miss Agnes

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Armstrong, Roy
Bue, Prof W
Black, Perry
Barnes, H G
Cross, Tom
Cameron Oscar
Caybrooks Alfonso
Collins W E
Desdune, D P
Foster, Chas B
Fleming, C R
Gant, R H
Garland, Fred
Garland, Will
Gold Dust Twins Co
Houseley, Beverley
Harris, J H
Hunter, F L
Lane, H S
Leach, Robert
Lacey, W R
McDade, Geo (2)
Norton, J B
Prince, Arthur L.
Rhone, G B
Reeves, The
Robinson, W A
Shields, W
Williams, John
White, R E (2)
Wood, F B

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P. G. Lowery & Co., with the Wallace Circus—Vandalia, Ill., Aug. 26.

Williams and Stevens, Richest Coon in Georgia—Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 28 to Sept. 3.

W. H. Mahara's Minstrels—St. Charles, Ill., Aug. 28 Woodstock, 29-30; Braidwood, 31.

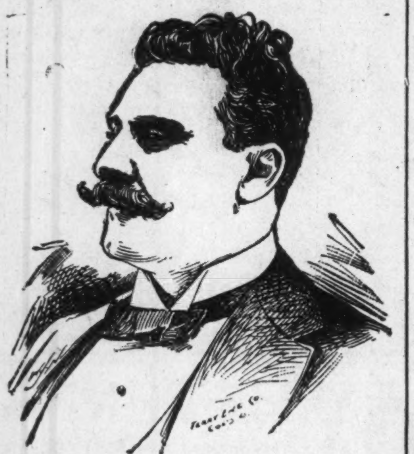
Baily & Smith's Southern Colored Comedy Co.—Dousman, Wis., Aug. 29; Cambridge, 30; Lake Mills, 31; Marshall, Sept. 1; Deerfield, 2.

Billy Kersands' Minstrels—Pond Creek, Okla. Aug. 28; Anadarko, 29; Lawton, 30; Hobart. 31.

Fred Lewis' Sensational Georgia Minstrels and Old Plantation Company has added Mr. and Mrs. Will Wagoner, of St. Paul, Minn. They are good in all lines. Charles Beecham is scoring big hits as usual. Walter Lyons is doing well. Mose Watkins as Uncle Eph is very pleasing. Nancy Alexander as Aunt Dinah is exceedingly good. Susie Cooksey is ill. Grace Williams and Blanche Scott are making good to curtain calls nightly. Madame Essie Lewis is the feature of the show, singing "Alabama" and "Welcome As the Flowers in May." The show starts South for the winter next week in its own palace car and expects good results. Frank Crosby is considered by all as the king of piano players of ragtime. Mrs. Lewis will visit her aunt at Minneapolis next week.

FIELD'S MINSTREL AT ENGLISH OPERA HOUSE, AUGUST 28.

"The Dance of the Nations" will be one of the many features of the Al G. Field minstrel this season. It will be produced by the entire company of sixty-four people and scenic and electrical effects will be introduced. Among the scenes depicted will be a Spanish arena, crowded with a holiday throng, where a bull fight will be shown. The Scottish highlands, with Bobbie Burns' humble cottage at the foot of the mountains, with pipers playing the typical ditties of the country and dancers in Scotch costume engaged in the highland fling; the shores of Merrie England, with the ocean stretching away to the horizon; the American navy in review, followed by a naval engagement; the weird valley of the Spooks, from which the pumpkin man and his imps appear and sing a fantastic song, which is suddenly transformed into the beautiful Southland, with Negroes before their cabins singing in the moonlight.



AL. G. Fields.

Notes from Billy Kersands Famous Minstrel Company.—We are now entering into our third week of this season with our original trade mark, a good show and a good business notwithstanding the hot weather. We all have special scenery for our first part which makes quite an addition. Our singing is considerably strengthened as well as our band and orchestra. We made a tremendous hit at St. Louis and Leavenworth, Kan., two of our Sunday dates. Robert Conners better known as "Rastus" is cleaning up with his original squibs and jokes. David D. Smith and Ed Stafford and Manzy Campbell are certainly very able support for our extreme ends, "Kid" Langford and "Bunk" Campbell. Our boys are in excellent health and are working like one large family. We are very anxious to hear from the Houseleys and all friends with the Funny Folks Minstrel, wishing them every success. Our banquets and receptions have commenced already. Robert Conners and the entire company sends regards to Jakie Smith, Sam Burns, John W. Simmons and George Bailey.

Mahara's Minstrels opened August 19, at McHenry, Ill, to a large house. Many people being turned away, unable to secure seats. The company numbering thirty people gave a parade at noon that was a marvel for brightness and neatness. All in new uniforms made by Pettibone Bros. of Cincinnati. The band of twenty pieces under the leadership of William Malone is claimed to equal the celebrated Elgin band and from the applause that greeted them on parade, it is easy to see that they will be easy money with this company. The entertainment began promptly at 8:30 and went without a hitch until 10:45. Every artist receiving an encore, as well as the orchestra, which is under the leadership of that violinist Harvey Holland, who is justly proud of it. They will play a return date Sunday night and the house is completely sold out for this performance. The reason is easily understood when the success depends upon the following artists: Bessie LaBelle, Berdie LaBelle, Emma Miller, Ludie Grandley, Gracie Chass, Ollie Thorpe, Gordon C. Collins, Tim Owsley, Morgan Prince and George Taylor for principals. The company is richly costumed throughout and will tour to the coast over last season's route where all of these artists are well-liked and are in great demand.

TWO CLEVER PERFORMERS

WILLIAMS AND STEVENS.

Who will be seen this season in the Richest Coon in Georgia.

Williams & Stevens write that they have been working regular with the exception of a few weeks lost in making big jumps. Mr. Bennett, our manager made a jump from New York to Seattle, Wash., and found the show rehearsing and in good order. Being satisfied with the company, he started in straightening out things. Mr. Thompson, agent after looking us over said the show was a winner. After playing Port Townsend and Seattle, we will play British Columbia. All people that have been with us before write. Our regards to all professiona's. Our address The Freeman.

Fred. A. Bennett presents Williams & Stevens in their two act musical comedy written and starred by them entitled, "The Richest Coon in Georgia." The show opened in Seattle, Wash., the week of August 14

E. C. Harris, who staged the big production of Williams & Steven's "Richest Coon in Georgia" has charge of the stage and sends regards to all Chicago friends.

AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN STORIES OF THE STAGE,

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

Madame Du Bois, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., has now retired from the concert stage.

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For the new Philadelphia critic, (we will say critic anyhow), to attack Miss Flora Batson and leave Madame Selika out, was bad business for his slow growth of reputation.

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Prof. William C. Enty, pianist of Kingston, N. Y., spent the week of August 13, attending the re-union of the Enty families at Templeton, Pa. He is now on his way home to finish his summer engagements.

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Carter's Louisiana Troubadours, playing summer engagements in Pennsylvania parks, engages the following people: Barrington Carter, Leon Williams, Mr, and Mrs. Sam King, Mr. and Mrs. James Towel, Theresa and Ida Bluford, Jack Smith and Mattie Hughes.

No doubt actors have been loooking to see some tidings of the Business Men's meeting in New York in this column. It may be, that, by the time we get our minds collected, other writers will have preached enough for us all.

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Following two weeks of stage rehearsals mingled with the pleasures and excitement of the Business Men's League at the Palm Garden, performers in New York have had their hands more than full and their pocket-books nearer emptied by the demands of the occasion than any other class of gentlemen of leisure, including business men, or others on pleasure bent. Summer is a dull financial part of the season for actors and those who are engaged on roof gardens and at the seashore were lucky to be able to complete with the distinguished visitors in other walks of life.

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Europe, after all seems to be a refuge for colored actors of reputation who fail to get such work as their ability demands in their own country. It's too bad American managers can not afford to keep them employed at home where they belong and are very much needed to drive dull care away from the most discontented nation of people on the face of the earth. Vaudeville in Europe we learn is drawing poor houses. Colored performers are taking the place of white European headliners who have left their native land to accept more profitable engagements on this side of the salty sea.

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Williams & Walker have severed their relations with Hurtig & Seamon as the result of a law suit won by Williams & Walker. While much credit is due Hurtig & Seamon for the way they have piloted the famous stars to the front, they have amply paid themselves for their labor. Just whose management Williams & Walker will be under this season is shrouded in mystery. We only know that they are to open at the New York Theatre, Broadway New York, early in the season in a new musical comedy by Jesse A. Shipp and again the humming bird sounds they will have one hundred people.

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Bob Cole and Rosamond Johnson's debut at the London Palace has not been heard from. James W. Johnson who went abroad with his two partners, on more pleasure than business, is still busy pulling the wires. If the wires should accidently cross, a live one would burn his fingers and also scorch his hands. Billy and Cordelia McClain were hidden away in Liverpool at last accounts and Miss Mattie Wilkes is on her fifth week's run at the Coliseum Theatre right in the heart of London where Irving Jones has also made his bow and found out that his presence is a winner. Like Alan Dale if my salary grows larger during this year, I may take a trip abroad also. If I do I'll cable things over.

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Theodore Drury, not so very long ago complained to a well-known business man about some of my past criticism. This same man, who is a good judge of stage work himself, told me he quite agreed with my criticism by explanation. So you see it doesn't pay an actor or singer to complain to anybody concerning my opinions of their work. People are generally inclined to believe me no matter what they may say to actors individually. One of my closest friends attended the Drury opera performance in New York last May and quite agreed with all I have stated in the past both in The Freeman and New York Age. Mr. Drury must be given great credit for two things, his ability to sing the title role of a grand opera and being able to get men to help him produce it. Drury may be thankful to hear that his is a grand individual achievement; His productions will be no race achievement until an opera can be produced by all colored people. In the meantime he wants to hit his syndicate for a bigger piece of the financial pie.

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No. 14306 Complaint Divorce.

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 15th day of Aug. 1905 the above named plaintiff, by his attorney, filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of Marion county, in the state of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant Mary J. Thomas and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person showing that said defendant Mary J. Thomas is not a resident of the state of Indiana and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 12th day of October, 1905.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her and that unless she appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 12th day of Oct. 1905, the same being the 10th judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in Oct 1905 said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged will be heard and determined in her absence.

WM. E. DAVIS, Clerk.
J. H. LOTT, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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Wilberforce, Kittrell, Allen, Morris, Brown and Paul Quinn are the colleges which received $1200 each this year through the Educational Board of the A. M. E. church.

The A. M. E. church has two thriving schools in Africa—Bethel Institute in South Africa and Shaffer Industrial School West Africa.

Atkinson College at Madisonville, Ky., is being rebuilt on a larger scale after a disastrous fire Bishop G. W. Cinton is the president of the school.

Wilberforce University (1856-1906) is planning to hold a golden jubilee next year. The university's first president, Dr. R. S. Rust, is still living and will be the guest of honor at the celebration of its fiftieth anniversary.

Louisville, Ky., has 10,903 colored school children in a grand total of 63,383.

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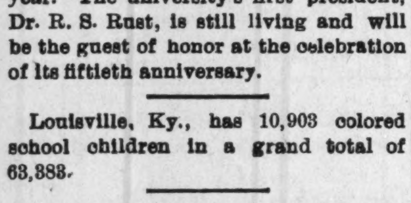

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The summer school planned for Howard University this year has been abandoned on account of the internal trouble at that institution.

Rev. J. A. Jones has again been called to the presidentcy of Turner Normal and Industrial Institute at Shelbyville, Tenn. Dr. Jones is serving his second year as pastor of St. Paul A. M. E. church at Nashville, and his resignation will leave vacant one of the most important stations in the South.

J. A. Kirk, for thirteen years a member of the faculty of Paul Quinn College, has been elected principal of the city high chool of Waco, Texas, vice A. J. Moore deceased.

The foundation for the $15,000 Carnegie library at Wilberforce University has been laid, and the construction will be rapidly pushed.

The Aurora Culture Club of Washington, D. C., is an organization of twelve young colored girls of that city who study music and literature. They do considerable charity work, visiting the sick at hospitals, carrying flowers and books to them. The young women are just out of normal school and are making a splendid effort to be of service to the community. Miss Edith Fleetwood, president; Miss Kathleen Cromwell, vice-president; Miss Mabel Drew, secretary; Miss Agnes Wormley, treasurer.

The regents of the Oklahoma Colored University at Langston have elected Prof. Carrie of Bishop College, Texas, to the chair of English language; L. F. Henderson of Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa, instructor in psychology; Miss Paralee Lucas of Kansas State University, assistant in English and mathematics; A. J. Starnes, mechanical instructor. A $13,000 gisls' dormitory is to be erected at once.

Evangeline R. Hall is the third colored girl to graduate from Radcliffe College, the female institution connected with Harvard University.

The now prosperous Curry school at Urbana, Ohio, was started nearly seventeen years ago in a shed kitchen at Delaware, Ohio, rented at the enormous sum of fifty cents per month.

Former students of Tuskegee are contributing liberally to the alumni scholarship fund.

The colored people of Oklahoma are complaining because out of the Territory's $25 000 allotment from the Morrell fund, a prominent Congregational appropriation for the maintenance of agricultural colleges throughout the United States. Langston, the colored university, gets but a paltry $2,500. The white college at Stillwater gets the big end of the purse, and the legislature will be asked to authorize a more equitable distribution.

John W. F. Smith is chief clerk of the school board of the District of Columbia and draws a salary of $1400 per annum.

The Manassas Industrial School at Manassas, Va., is thirteen years old. The grounds comprise 176 acres, and the school's farm is included in the famous Bull Run battlefield. The principal is W. C. Taylor, a man of liberal education and a practical farmer, with W. Walter Jackson as assistant. Oswald Garrison Villard, editor of the New York Evening Post, is president of the board of directors.

At the annual meeting of the executive committee of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society, or the Methodist Episcopal church, $16,000 were voted for the erection of a new college building at Austin, Texas. Presidents were elected for 43 schools and about 400 teachers.

J. R. Gibson, principal of the colored high school at Galveston, Texas, is touring the North and East in the interest of a home for indigent colored people, which will be established on a tract of ten acres of land purchased by the Galveston Relief Association and located thirteen miles from Galveston on the Galveston, Houston and Henderson railway.

Lieut. Benjamin O. Davis of the 9th cavalry, stationed at Fort Washakie, Wyoming, has been appointed military instructor at Wilberforce University. Lieut. Davis was an officer in the 8th Immune Regiment in the Spanish-American war. When mustered out he enlisted in the 9th cavalry as a private, but by successful examinations he won a commission as second lieutenant in the regular army.

At the annual meeting of the board of trustees of the Tuskegee Institute, held recently in the office of Mr. George Foster Peabody, in New York, Mr. V H. Tulane of Montgomery, Ala, was unanimously elected a member of the board. Mr. Tulane is an enterprising young man, and one who will render valuable service as a member of the board. The graduates and former students of the school, resident in Montgomery, have sent to Tuskegee many expressions of gratification because of Mr. Tulane's election.

President W. G. Frost of Berea College denies the oft repeated charge that he is in sympathy with the Day law of Kentucky, which drove the colored children out of the school where the coeducation of the races had been carried on for fifty years without friction.

Work has begun upon the new $65,000 dining hall at Tuskegee.

E. W. Marshall of Louisville, Ky., is offering a splendid site in Bullitt county for the establishment of a colored industrial institute on the lines laid down by Tuskegee.

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To the young men about to enter the professional field, it might be well to call their attention to the great demand for first-class colored pharmacists, such as are yearly graduated from Howard University Pharmaceutic College The secretary of this college is flooded each week with letters from all parts of the country, asking him to supply this or that city with a druggist. Good men receive high salaries, as most of the graduates of Howard University Pharmaceutic College are either proprietors of drug stores or already hold well paying positions. In fact, so anxious are the colored people in the cities of the South for drug stores of their own that the only thing the right kind of man needs is the ability to pass the state board of examiners, as the following letter, which is one of the many received, will show:

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The Post-Graduate Normal Course of The Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute will be extended to two years beginning with the opening of the next school term, September 12, 1905, and will comprise a much broader scope of work than heretofore. Work will be offered for three classes of postgraduate students in this department; first, students whose interests are purely industrial; second, students whose interests are primarily in the academic work, and third, postgraduate normal students who wish to combine the industrial and academic work. Students of the second class will be required to devote five days of each week to normal work, and one day to industrial employment. The various courses will be taught by specialists thoroughly competent, and Tuskegee Institute with its complete material equipment in every department thus affords superior advantages for young men and women wishing to prepare themselves for literary and industrial teachers desiring to take advanced work.

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Prof. Robert A. Roberts an educator of experience, who has been taking several special courses in science and pedagogy at the State University at Bloomington, has been appointed principal of Scribner High School, to succeed Dr. W. O. Vance, resigned. Supt. Prosser says the curriculum of the school is to undergo an extensive revision and improvement—During the three weeks stay of Mrs. Olivia Sterrett Peters, of Owensboro, Ky., she was handsomely entertained by Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. H, T. Bain, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lindsay, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Woodson, Miss Anna Mosby and others.—Jone's Chapel is enjoying a season of prosperity under the guidance of Rev. B G Shaw, who is taking hold of the work like a veteran. The recent rally netted $100—Dr. E. R Gaddie is the possessor of a stylish horse and buggy, and can now more promptly serve his numerous patorns.—R. W. Thompson attended the sixth annual session of the National Negro Business League. He will spend some time in Washington before returning.—Miss Rowena Dorsey is at home from Henderson, Ky.—Mrs Bettie Keller has built a new house on Fifth street, to replace the one recently destroyed by fire—Thomas H Johnson is serving acceptably as a substitute clerk at the local post-offie, the first Negro so employed in the history of the city—The next District Grand Lodge of the G. U. O. of O. F. will be held in this city in August 1906 Ben Alexander was New Albany's delegate to the Indianapolis convention—Oliver C. Manuel and Clifford O. Mitchem will study medicine—Misses Mayme Morgan and Lizzie Richardson, recent graduates of Scribner High School, are to teach in Kentucky, the former in Brandenburg and the latter in Bardstown.

VICKSBURG, MISS.

B. Q. Branch, after several months' illness died at his home on Jackson Road Saturday, August 12 and was buried from Jackson Street Baptist church. Rev. A. M. Johnson conducted the services. The pall bearers were W. E. Mollison, R C. Jones, J. G. H. Bow- E M. Colbert, P. C. Copeland and M. Simms—Mrs. L. C. Jefferson and daughter are visiting in Chicago.—Rev. J. C. Hiblor has just completed his beautiful home on Jackson Road.

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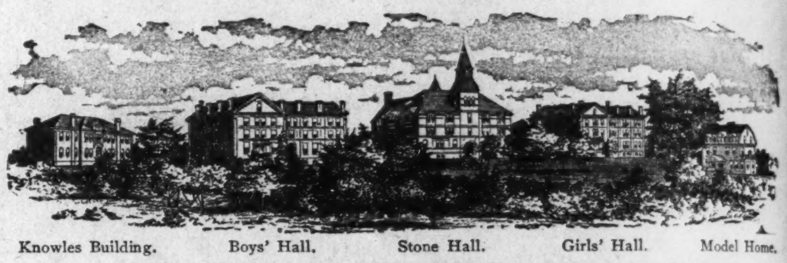

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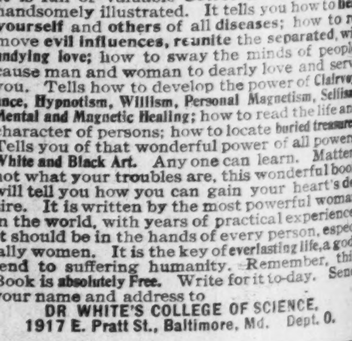
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RACE GLEANINGS.

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Bishop Alexander Walters was orator of the day at the Westchester (N. Y) county emancipation celebration August 17th.

The United Aid Insurance Company of Richmond, Va., has declared a dividend of 10 per cent, payable October 15 J. E. Byrd is president of the organization.

John C. Jordan, who won distinction as a gunner in the Bay of Manila, under Admiral Dewey, has been assigned to duty at the Naval Academy at Annapolis.

Some time ago a committee was appointed to select the best eighty-five books published last year for the New York State Library. At the head of the books selected on Sociology, including Education, was "Working with the Hands," by Booker T. Washington.

Afro-Americans of Richmond Va., are acquiring property on Broad street, the principal retail thoroughfare of the city. Within the last few months four most desirable and substantial brick buildings have been purchased by our people—the Mechanics' Savings Bank, John Mitchell, Jr. president, purchasing two pieces; the Independent Order of St. Luke, Mrs. Maggie L. Walker, president, another piece; and the United Aid and Insurance Company, J. E. Byrd, president, the other. The St. Luke's are remodeling their property and when completed will be occupied by the St. Luke Emporium.

It appears that within the last eighteen months, the Negroes of the Yazoo Delta District of Mississippi (the blackest section of the black belt, where there are 32,000 whites to over 200,000 Negroes) have organized three banks, which are now doing business. Every dollar of the stock is owned by Negroes, and every officer—president, cashier, director—is a Negro. In January 1903, one of these banks in a small town, numbering about 500 souls, had on deposit $125,000 in round numbers, of which amount $88,000 had been deposited by Negroes. At a recent meeting of stockholders of another Negro bank in the Yazoo Delta, a dividend of 17 per cent was declared on the profits of last year's business.

Roosevelt is the name of the new town soon to be laid out and incorporated in Prince George county, Md., about twenty minutes ride from the District line. It is financed and is to be promoted by the Roosevelt Agricultural and Mercantile Co operative Association of the District of Columbia and officered by a number of well-known white and colored men of this city. It has been incorporated and the charter states that its object is to promote the agricultural and commercial interests of its members, to organize itself into a community of interests within the District of Columbia and Prince George county, State of Maryland, and elsewhere. A tract of land comprising more than 690 acres has been acquired, all of which is to be sold exclusively to Afro-Americans.

William Coffer, a 22-year-old colored youth, of 2028 Market street, St. Louis, has perfected what he claims to be a new departure in the automobile line. Coffer, who is employed as bicycle repairer by M. C. Jameson at 1105 Olive street, has been at work on his machine for the past eight weeks, during his spare time, and now has a car which he claims will maintain an economical speed of thirty-five miles an hour for four days without stopping. The machine, which is unique in appearance, was constructed entirely by Coffer, including the gasoline engine with which it is equipped. The carburettor is claimed to be a model of economy in the use of gasoline, any surplus that is not required to maintain the necessary speed being pumped back into the supply tank. This youth was born in St Louis and attended school there until 17 years old. He then went to work in a machine shop, spending his leisure hours studying mechanical engineering by correspondence. The car in question is Coffer's third attempt, its two predecessors not coming up quite to the maker's expectations. The first one was sold for $250 and the latter he swopped for material with which the present machine was constructed. The machine is not for sale, and Coffer states that he has refused several flattering offers for it. He expects to obtain patents on the several special features it contains, and his plan is to manufactne cars of like design, if he can interest the right parties in the undertaking.

VIEWS AND REVIEWERS.

Under the heading of a "Half a Dozen Silhouettes" appears an interesting article by Rebecca Harding Davis telling what different characters of our race have to say of themselves on life's problem. The article appeared in the Saturday Evening Post (Augugt 12, 1905,) as given:

Thomas Paull is a stout, gray-haired mulatto of about fifty, a carpenter in a stirring Mississippi town. He speaks with no Negro accent, and with the decision and readiness of a man who is used daily to transact business.

"Wantin' an account of my life? There's nothin' in it special as I knows of. Yes, of course, I was born in slavery. You'll find very few of my people of my age in the South, that are of any account, who weren't born slaves. Them free niggers down here in the war time was a poor lot, I've heard always. But our young people now don't like to talk of their slave grandaddies! Well, that's natural, too. As for me, my father was the carpenter on Miss Ann Cope's big plantation near Nathez. I used to be in the shop always, foolin' with the saws and hatchets. We stayed with Miss Ann when we was free. I kept on carpentering. When I was growed I come down here. That's all there is to say. The folks know me and know my work. I don't fool away the time, and I don't cheat, and they know that. So I gets the jobs. I've more to do than I can manage. I took a contract for a big mill yesterday.

"My brother's a mason. He lives in Jacksonville, in Florida. He just finished the mason work on a big church there a month ago. It stands on the square facin' the Confsderit Soldier.

"I suppose you have heard a good many of my folk have gone up North in the last year Let 'em go I say. That's all the better for me. Leaves more work for me. There's enough carpenterin' here for four more good men."

Pearl, a chambermaid in a hotel at Atlantic City, is a Canadian, a tall, yellow quadroon, with a shapely figure and extraordinaty grace of movement. Her lips are thick, her nose flat, her large topaz-colored eyes are glassy and absolutely without meaning. You see such eyes in fishes sometimes. She wears spectacles. She is dressed now for the parade on the boardwalk in a scarlet skirt and pale blue waist. Her hat is topped with huge white plumes. She never loses the consciousness of being Personage, and is not at all surprised when her biography is asked for. She speaks in a shrill, insolent voice, in which are neither the softness nor the accent of the Southern Negro.

"Yes, I'm a Canadian lady. Toronto's my city. Born free? Well, I should say so! Different stuff from the miserable nigger trash in this country. My name's Miss Cornelia Pearl Heminway. You might have seen it in the papers. I have wrote poems and a novel That novel isn't out yet. Yes, I'm a chambermaid just now. But my perfession is writing for the colored folks' papers. I am pretty smart at drawin' too. Some of my pictures has been in the Afro-American Miscellany. The way I make money at Atlantic City, though, is by givin' cakewalks. I sing and dance. I've regelated all the cakewalks giv' this season"

She sang a verse with a voice of tremendous power, but it had none of that wild, melancholy pathos which belongs to the tones of the Negro of unmixed blood. I found afterward, by the way, that two of the new dances in the leading vaudeville theatre in New York last winter were invented by this woman.

"I've been married, yes My husband went off years ago on business. 'Pears as if he was dead. Yes, I have a daughter. She's nine. Miss Felicia Oriole Heminway. She's bein' educated by the Sisters in Montreal. No chamberwork nor cakewalkin' for her" She gave a toss of her head and a cough which sounded like a sob. "I'm not goin' never to interjuice her into public life. She's a fine singer aready. She kin paint portraits. I'll interjuice her into society in Washington—our most upermost classes is there—or into our succles in Toronto. I'll be much surprised," she adds with an hysterical laugh, "if Felicia doesn't marry a gentleman of fortune. She'll drive in her carriage yet, and look down on the white trash that keeps us under their feet!" It was curious that this woman, removed by three generations from slavery, and treated from birth as an equal by the white race, was the only one who seemed to feel any antipathy about them.

Edgar Lepont Davidge is a slight, nervous young man with a mass of straight brown hair, thrown back from a thoughtful face, in which you are apt only to note the sensitive mouth and large melancholy eyes. He dresses simply and with much taste. His coloring is that of a Creole; the couresy of his manner is too marked for an American. If you pass him on the street you probably will take him for a Spaniard. Only the black patch in the centre of his palms betrays his secret—and Davidge always wears gloves.

"Yes," he said, "I am an Afro-American, though I believe the proportion of black blood in my veins to be but small; a few drops only. But they have given me my place among men. I tried for a long time to escape from it, and to pass as a white man—I am more of a white man than a black. But I do not try now.

"I was educated at the High School in my native city; then I went to a large university on a scholarship that I won. I was graduated third in my class. I only mention this to show that I have not failed through laziness or stupidity on my part. While I was in college my classmates were civil and friendly. I was elected to one of the literary clubs and was editor of the class paper.

"The day after I was graduated the men of my class, with whom I had lived for four years, srared at me on the street as if they were looking into the empty air. Not one of them has ever spoken to me since. I tried to get into a lawyer's office as a student, then a secretary, and at last a typewriter. It was of no use. The men were polite but decided; they all refused. I besieged the newspaper offices. Sometimes I got some of my stuff in on space in the local column. But as soon as the city editor would find out who I was it would be thrown out. Nothing I wrote went. At last my money was gone. I was willing to do any kind of work I tried for a clerkship in railway offices, or a place as floor-walker in a big department store—it was of no use. There are thousands of decent occupations in this city by which an educated white man can earn his living; not one of them is open to me. I went one day to one of my classmates. I must have been mad that day.

"'You know me, Moore,' I said. 'You knew me for four years. I call on you to say whether I did not deserve the honors that came to me in college?'

"'Oh, certainly, Davidge,' he said. 'Of course, of course.'

"'Was I honest? Was I clean in my behavior? Did you know me to do anything unbefitting a gentleman?'

"'Oh, you were all right,' he said, trying to get away. He was terribly worried.

"'Then why,' I said, 'can't I have the chance to live? I have gone out as a waiter for a month to keep from starving. Is there no better chance in this free country for me?'

"'Davidge,' he said, 'I'm sorry. But you are a nigger, you know'—and he left me.

I never troubled him with a question again, nor anybody else.

"I earn my living now as a waiter, working for the caterers. I married a girl I had known a long time. She was educated at Hampton. We live in a little house in the 'black quarter.' It's as pretty as any home in Philadelphia. Cora has her piano and her window-boxes for flowers. No better dressed lady walks Walnut street. She can copy any costume of Doucet's on sight!" His eyes shone. He laughed a little Then he rose. "Is that all? You'll be kind enough not to mention my real name? My employer wouldn't like my complaining. He'd discharge me. I can't afford to lose my job—with Cora and the children at home."

NEW PLAN FOR SOLUTION OF NEGRO PROBIEM.

Mr. Editor:

At this time of the year, our representative folk of both race varieties of all our lines of activity, both secular and religious, educational, political, industrial and social during their annual gatherings discuss more or less some phase of, or plans for the solution of the vexing race problem that will not down which like a bad deed constantly gnaws an enlightened conscience. Such discussion is perfectly legitimate. For, if civil rights and progress are consequential values, subjects, the discussion of which has employed the rostrum of the ages past and has ladened the pages of thousands of volumes, and, if we are men worthy of inestimable boons, we will continue the controversy until every impediment to the largest enjoyment of all our civil rights and of the full benefits of progress is removed. To do less would be unworthy of a free people.

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For sometime there has been revolving in this brain of mine a plan which I believe, if faithfully carried out, will do much to relieve the great tension of the solution between the two race varieties and to give a substantial basis for future well and intelligent work for the final solution of the problem. A thorough knowledge of one's task is necessary to any wise endeavor toward its accomplishment. The physician must know his patient and the farmer his field. When A knows that B knows what A knows, and vice versa, and also when A knows that B knows that A knows that which B knows, then are they in a position to develop the highest form of like-mindedness. And the existence of such like-mindedness is necessary to any appreciable co-operation for the best interest of all concerned. This is a principle operative in all well regulated societies. And, I believe, that the failure to bring to bear this principle upon the solution of the race problem, is largely responsible for our little progress along these lines. To my mind there is too little knowledge of the real facts coming from authoritative and unbiased sources.

When we wish to get at the facts of any important matter of the government, we ask for a commission of investigation, such as the labor, tariff, canal and peace commissions. In my humble judgment this is the only method of sucessfully getting at the race question. My plan is this: Let the people the colored people in particular, petition the President of the United States to appoint a Civil Rights Commission or Bureau composed of representative citizens of each of the great parties, republican, democratic, prohibition, etc, of each section of the country, north, south, east and west, and of both race varieties, black and white. The duty of this commission shall be to investigate thoroughly evers phase of the race problem, political, educational, religious, industrial, social, moral, economical, and in fact, every phase touching the relation of the two peoples. After having gathered the facts and thoroughly considered them in their bearing upon the controversy in hand, let them report their observations to the United States Congress and the American people.

This question is one for the nation as a whole to settle; not one party, nor section of the country. In fact one party or section of the country cannot do so. It is due this great nation which is so active in settling the labor, tariff, and other nation's difficulties to listen to the cries and petitions of her own subjects to make a difficult and substantial effort toward the solution of the problem.

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SELMA ALA.

The new cotton crop is beginning to come in.—The city is perhaps cleaner than ever before, owing to the fear of Yellow Jack.— Dr. M. Moreland has in progress one of the most successful revivals ever had at Browns Chapel A. M. E. Church; more than a hundred conversions up to the present time—Rufus Caldwell's remains were brought from Indiana and interred at his home last week —Jordan Crocheron of the I. O. B of C., is very ill at his home.—The Selma delegation to the Industrial League, left last Saturday night for New York.— J. H. Perkins has open up a new art gallery in our city.—Dr. Robinson has hung out his shingle and will no doubt have a remunerative practice. Dr. L. L. Burwell's drug store and office presents at all times a business appearance — A score of our people are having erected nice cottage homes. The city is well supplied with tailors and cloth cleaners— The hotel waiters here do not give that support to The Freeman, which its efforts in their behalf wants —Albert Boyd, one of the leading undertakers of the state, now located at Mobile, passed thro Selma Sunday en route to New York to attend the league meeting.—T. L. O. Sullivan, Selma's leading colored grocer, is in Gotham taking in the league meeting.

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THE ALPHA HOME BENEFIT PICNIC A GREAT SUCCESS.

The most popular picnic of the season was that of the Alpha Home on Thursday of last week for the benefit of the aged mothers of whom there are eleven. Shortly after 11 a. m. the throng commenced and every car thereafter brought out the many friends eager for a visit to the old people and bent on helping replenish the treasury by buying the excellent dinner and picnic goods secured by donations given the committee who had the affair in charge.

The K. of P. Band lent their services in the discoursing of sweet music. The program given was timely remarks by Revs. G. H. Shaffer, H. L. Herod, H. E. Stewart and T. E. Taylor, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Such a day with these mothers who have no friends or relatives; who have not yet reaped their reward, but have toiled for years trusting in Him who says, "I will never leave or forsake thee" is food for conversation for weeks.

The board of managers regret that any money must be paid out, yet the rent of chairs, tent, lights, dishes gasoline, ice cream, one cateress, pop, candy, melons, etc are not owned by the Home hence some expenses. We regret also that the growing popularity of the Alpha Home picnic finds the committee inadequate to meet the demands of all who attend. However we take this method of thanking all and will double the resources for future efforts, Many outstanding debts were obliterated by the new officers in charge.

Coal for the winter, suitable clothing etc. must be attended to. The Alpha Home maintained wholly by charity for the past sixteen years has eked out an existence with one permanent contribution from the county commissioners of $25.00 per month. The gross receipts are $244 85; expenses $67 00. Mrs. Minnie Scott, president; Miss Ella Lewis, chairman trustee board; Roxie H. Bell, financial secretary; Mrs. Hulda Webb, treasurer.

CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

Mrs. Lizzie Phillips is in Atlantic City.

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Mrs. L. Miller, in Emmett street is very ill.

Mrs. Effie Wilson was in Princeton, this week.

Mrs. Ora Jefferson and baby are visiting in Chicago.

Miss Ola Ecton is able to be out after a serious illness.

Miss Anna Florence will return to Chicago Monday.

Mrs. Maud McFalls is ill at her home in Walnut street.

All society uses Woodbine Perfumes Blodau's drug store.

William Therical was the guest of Miss Katie Uls Sunday.

Misses Etta J. Lewis and Martha Howard are in Pittsburg.

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Mrs. Mary E. Cable and son Theodore are visiting in Michigan.

Mrs. Mattie Griggsby has gone to Chicago for an indefinite stay.

James Neal has returned after several months' stay at Woodruff, Wis.

William Breedlove left Monday for Atlanta, Ga., to visit his mother.

George Finn has returned from a visit to his mother in Kentucky.

Miss Mary Brooks has returned from Danville, Ky., much improved in health.

Mrs. Ella French, who has been ill for the past three weeks, is convalescent

Warren Hillard, of California street, fractured two ribs while at work last week.

Mrs. Bettie Logan is visiting friends at Louisville and other points in Kentucky.

Mrs. Edith Barnes spent Sunday in Terre Haute with her husband, William Barnes.

Bishop C. T. Shaffer passed through the city this week en route to Richmond.

Mrs. Mollie Thomas, of North Indianapolis has recovered from a recent illness.

Quarterly meeting services at Simpson Chapel Sunday. Everybody is welcome.

Henry L Sanders, the merchant left Tuesday for a ten days' visit at French Lick Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. James P. Leveritt. of Peru, passed through the city last week en route to Atlantic City.

The Woman's Improvement Club will meet next Thursday with Mrs. Roxie H Bell, 521 Bright street.

Guy Weaver of Marion was in the city this week. Master Robert Williams accompanied him home.

Mrs. DeKov n Thompson, formerly of Chicago, now a resident of St. Paul, is the guest of Mrs. Maud Shelton.

Miss Susie Wilson, secretary of Flanner Guild, who was recovering from an attack of typhoid fever and nervous prostration, is now suffering from a relapse at her home, 1222 Fayette street.

The Woman's Club will give a lawn fete at the home of Mrs. Lois Long, 515 West Twelfth street, Tuesday evening.

Chartered cars for the Masonic picnic-outing at the Fair Ground, August 31. Admission 25 cents; children 15 cents.

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Mrs. J. N. Sharp, 310 Muskingum street, sustained painful bruises Sunday morning by falling from a street car when returning from church.

Mrs. Frances Simpson left last Sunday for Elkhart, Ind., to spend a few weeks, after which she will go to Cass County, Mich., for an indefiuite stay.

Mrs. E E. Cooper accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Sara Porter, of Washington, D C., are guests of J. M, Porter and family in California street,

The musicians will give a picnic Sunday, August 27, at Hammond's Grove. The public is invited. Admission 15 cents. Dancing and wagons free

There will be a grand concert given at Allen Chapel, September 6. "The Old Maid's Association." Eliza Bangs president; Rebecca Retrace, secretary.

Invitations have been issued announcing the marriage of Miss Edna Agnes Sweeney to Mr. George Montgomery Chadwell, August 30, at the home of the bride in Yandes street. At home after September 15. The contracting parties are teachers in the city schools

ERIE, PA.

The Japadese social at St. James A. M. E church August 15 was largely attended and quite a success. The gentleman friends of the steamship Japan under the leadership of their headwaiters. Mr. Edmunds were out in full force. The committee wishes to thank all who helped to make it a success.—Mrs. C. W. Jefferson and son were in the city on business.—Alexander Scott and son have returned from an extensive camping trip —Mrs. Hardy has gone to Ridgeway, Canada, to visit relatives.—Miss Maria Williams has returned from a visit with friends at Rochester, N Y —Pythagoras Commandery, No. 11 K. T. held their election, August 15, with the following result: R. W. Dickinson, E C.; H. C. Thompson, G. C.; H. Waller, C. G.; J. S. Hicks, Prelate; D. H. Mead, Recorder; T. L. Brown, S. W.; R. H. Baxter, J. W.; C. Slow, Warder; G. Cramer, Guard: R. H. Dickinson, representative to Grand Commandry.

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sample sentences taken at random from his address will give a pretty clear idea of the tenor of the President's line of thought. He says:

"Our progress must be permenent and not artificial It must be by natural steps. We must pay the price for everything we get. We cannot bridge the chasm that separates us from much that American life offers by simply meeting and passing resolutions. The day has passed when the great body of the American people will give serious heed to high-sounding resolutions or loud "demands". The most potent demand that we can make for fair and just consideration is actual achievement in the locality in which we live. Emphasizing abstract ideas, academic theories will count for little unless they are applied to the vital daily interests of the masses. Instead of complaining because work is denied us in certain quarters, let us turn our attention in a large measure to the policy of going to the fundamental sources of occupations —that is create out of the soil, out of wood, mineral, water the products that the world wants. This policy will make us creators of jobs and not mere seekers after jobs. One tangible achievement in creative effort will go further in bringing to us protection and respect than any recital of wrongs we may make. Let us advertise to the world our strengths, not our weakness; our success, not our failure; our achievements not our hopes; our agreements, not our disagreements. We should not be swerved from our original purpose of making the League wholly an organization for encouraging the economic and business development of the race, We do not overlook or minimize the wrongs and injustices under which the race often suffers, but one organization cannot embrace all the interests of the race"

Dr. Washington's speech was liberally interspersed with telling anecdotes, and at its conclusion he was applauded, Dr M C B. Mason delivered an eloquent speech during the evening

Mr W. A Jones spoke upon "The Negro Druggist," and the paper was discussed by Drs. S. G. Elbert, of Willmington, Del., L. H. Harris, of Washington, D C., and Arthur S. Gray, also of the latter place

Mr. Robert C. Ogden, whose activity in the work of education and philanthropy has made his name a household word all over the country, and who conducts one of the largest mercantile establishments in the world was cordially received when introduced by the president. Mr. Ogden's remarks were full of inspiration to those who must struggle, and his confession that he had once been compelled to support himself on a salary of $5 per week placed in closest touch with them. He said it was a matter of congratulation that the Negro race had striven so earnestly and so successfully to get out of the rut in which he had lain so long through no fault of his own. He spoke of the dignity of making money by honest, conscientious effort, and held that only by persistent and consistent work could success be attained, "We all of us have our handicaps and limitations. You will find that it is unwise to fight prejudice with opposition. Kindness and common sense will win for you in the long run,"

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